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## Amendments to the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

- 1. (Currently Amended) A method for treating delaying the time at which symptoms are manifest in a subject afflicted with multiple sclerosis comprising administering to the subject an therapeutically effective amount of a polypeptide comprising soluble receptor for advanced glycation endproducts (sRAGE) effective to delay the time at which symptoms are manifest.
- 2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the subject is a human.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the therapeutically effective amount of sRAGE is an amount between about 150 µg sRAGE/kg of subject/day and 15 mg sRAGE/kg of subject/day, or its equivalent.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the therapeutically effective amount of sRAGE is an amount between about 500 µg sRAGE/kg of subject/day and 5 mg sRAGE/kg of subject/day, or its equivalent.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the therapeutically effective amount of sRAGE is about 1.5mg/kg of subject/day, or its equivalent.
- 6. 24 (canceled)